

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

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ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

PRESIDENT MADISON'S MESSAGE.

Synopsis.
(Peace with Algiers; Treaty with Great Britain; Treaty of Ghent; The Indian warriors; Act for Military Peace Establishment; Merits of the American Army; the Treasury and Treasury Notes; the National Debt; A National Bank.)

Part V. Preparedness.

"Notwithstanding the security for future repose which the United States ought to find in their love of peace and their constant respect for the rights of other nations, the character of the times particularly inculcates the lesson, that, whether to prevent or repel danger, we ought not to be unprepared for it. This consideration will sufficiently recommend to Congress a liberal provision for the immediate extension and gradual completion of the works of defense, both fixed and floating, on our maritime frontier; and an adequate provision for guarding our inland frontier, against danger to which portions of it may continue to be exposed."

Militia, Reserves, Academies.
"As an improvement on our military establishment, it will deserve the consideration of Congress whether a corps of invalids might not be so organized and employed, as at once to aid the support of meritorious individuals, excluded by age or infirmities from the existing establishment, and to preserve to the public the benefit of their stationary services and of the exemplary discipline."

"I recommend, also, an enlargement of others in other sections of the union. And I cannot press too much on the attention of Congress, such a classification and organization of the militia, as will not effectually render it the safeguard of a free State."
"If experience has shown in the late splendid achievements of militia the value of this resource for the public defense, it has also shown the importance of that skill in the use of arms, and that familiarity with the essential rules of discipline, which cannot be expected from the regulations now in force. With this subject it intimately connected, the necessity of accommodating the laws, in every respect, to the great object of enabling the political authority of the union to employ, promptly, and effectively, the physical power of the union, in the cases designated by the constitution."

The Navy.

"The signal services which have been rendered by our navy, and the capacities it has developed for successful co-operation in the national defense, will give to that portion of public defense, its full value in the eyes of Congress, and the people, that calls for the constant vigilance of all governments."
"To preserve the ships now in sound state; to complete those already contemplated; to provide amply the unperturbable materials for prompt augmentations, and to improve the existing arrangements into more advantageous establishments, are the construction, the repairs, and the security of vessels of war, is dictated by the soundest policy."

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

The Gale.

The wind has blown furiously all the morning, and at noon was terrific. The North Church steeple shows perceptible symptoms of its violence, and from a point about half way up has a strong inclination towards the west, leaning over to Broad St. A large elm tree in Broad street, near St. John's Church, was sadly damaged by the wind. One half of it was split from the main trunk and fell in the street.
A chimney of a house in Arch St. was also blown down at noon, the bricks making lively music on the roof for the family occupying the house.
The office of Schuyler, Hartley, Graham & Co., (Rem-U. M. C.) adjacent to the new carriage factory, near Pembroke Lake, was also blown down.

SMOKE ADAM'S TOBACCO.

Adam Steiger, of No. 15 Water street has added largely to his stock of pipes, cigars and tobacco, and is making ready in anticipation of the holidays. He will undoubtedly receive many calls between now and the first of January, for internal revenue and stamp taxes to the contrary notwithstanding, the boys will use cigars and tobacco, and Adam keeps good articles.

AYERS, THE SHOE MAN.

Ayers, the boot and shoe man, in Connecticut Bank building, desires us to say that he has a fine stock of boots and shoes, in the latest and best styles, for Christmas and New Year presents. Call and see him. He will give you a good fit.

"THE BEEHIVE."

Have you been into that new and splendid store in this city called "The

Beehive?" If not, then delay no longer. It is one of the most brilliant trading places this side of New York. Everything fancy that belongs to a lady's wardrobe, can be found there.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

The girls of the Hoop Skirt Factory of Townsend, Latin & Co., on Bevel street, had a Surprise Visit from a party of their friends, in one of the rooms where they work, last evening. We hear that they had a merry time of it—music, dancing, refreshments, etc. Such little affairs add wonderfully to the enjoyments experienced here and there on the journey of life.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

BIBEAU GETS HIS LICENSE.

D. C. Bibeau has been granted an amusement license to conduct a concert hall in Bank street and State street, subject to stringent restriction. No women will be allowed to attend the performance and smoke cigarettes, neither will they be permitted to mingle with the male patrons and drink together. Superintendent Eugene Birmingham, who is opposed to such places on principle, says that any departure from these regulations means the revocation of the license.

NEWELL'S DANCING CLASS.

Terpsichore at Masonic hall Saturday afternoon on the occasion of an informal reception held under the auspices of W. Gilbert Newell's juvenile class in dancing. Just 44 scholars participated in the dances and a corps of ten young masters acted as ushers.

Many of the new pedal evolutions were seen for the first time by the on-lookers. Among those were the Peacock Stride, the Supera, the Marigold two-step, dedicated to the Senator by Mr. Newell, and the Trilby. Solos were danced by the Misses Kempinski, Eddy, Saone, Lane and Newell.

A ROCKING CHAIR FREE.

David O'Donnell, 628 Main street, gives with each pound of Hanlon's baking powder, a rocking chair that is very neat and a durable article. He also has a very choice line of poultry, nuts, grapes and all kinds of fruits and the finest Christmas delicacies.

FOR ABSOLUTE SAFETY.

Many people wonder why all trolley cars now come to a full stop before crossing any of the draw bridges. The rule is one of precaution which is taken to secure absolute safety. When the car comes to a stop the conductor knows that his motorman is all right. If the car should not stop, the conductor would know that something was wrong and could throw off the trolley and stop the car himself. Should a motorman become disabled from any cause, when approaching an open drawbridge, results might be serious except for this precaution.

AT THE THEATRES.

Park City Theatre.
Edwin Milton Royle's clever comedy drama, "Friends," has always been assured good houses and unstinted applause during each of its visits to this city. "Friends" is the work of a student. It comes to us again this evening.
The simple announcement of the coming of Modjeska is enough to fill the theatre, both matinee and evening. Christmas day, with lovers of poetic drama and the fine art of acting, but the fact that this will be Modjeska's last appearance in this city previous to her permanent retirement, should still further attract the undivided attention of the theatre going public. Christmas evening she will present the role of Mary Stuart. The play selected for the matinee is Shakespeare's charming comedy, "As You Like It."

Auditorium.
An up-to-date burlesque entitled, "My Uncle," will be the attraction for one performance only Monday evening.
The "Derby Mascot," which comes Christmas matinee and night, carry their own special cars loaded with scenery built especially for the production and also carry three full-blooded horses to appear in the racing and hurdle scenes. We predict a successful season for the "Derby Mascot."

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH.

Christmas Music.
In St. Augustine's church, Rev. D. J. Cremin, pastor will officiate, assisted by Fathers Blake and Fitzsimmons. High mass at 5:30 and 10:30 a. m., at which will be sung: Gloria's first mass, offertory, Adagio Fideles. Vespers at 7:30 p. m., at which will be sung: Gloria's Vespers, Adagio Fideles. Alma Redemptoris by Schroth, O Salutaris, soprano and alto duet. Tantum Ergo, soprano and bass with chorus.
The singers will be: Mrs. Munich and the Misses Youngs, Begley, Dally, Foley, Haux and Shean; Miss Foley, Mrs. Lennon and the Misses Klein.

Connery, Dowling, alto; Messrs. J. McCarthy, D. McCarthy, H. Cummings tenors; and Messrs. A. Gilmore, J. Wade, F. Wade, A. Vack, basses, Organist Prof. Thomas Lennon.

ST. MAR'S CHURCH.

Christmas Program.

Rev. John F. Rogers, pastor; assistant priests, Rev. Richard J. Carroll, and Rev. J. W. Sheehan.
Solemn high masses at 5:30 and 10:30 a. m.
Soloists: Sopranos, Misses Nellie McMahon and Annie Hartigan with Mrs. Spence; alto, Mrs. Kate Goodwin; basses, Messrs. James Rows and Owen Toolen. An orchestra of eight pieces will assist the organist William M. Haggerty.

BLEACHING PLANT TO BE BUILT AT NEW MILFORD

New Milford, Dec. 22.—The award of contracts for constructing a plant for bleaching cloth, at an approximate cost of \$600,000, apparently makes certain the establishment here of a new industry.

The bleachery will be located on property formerly owned by the New Milford Electric Light Co., which, three years ago sold its buildings, equipment and 23 acres of land, to a Lonsdale, R. I., syndicate.
At the time it was stated that the bleachery would be put up but nothing was done it was thought here the project had lapsed. The bleachery is to be ready in 1917. Experiments have shown that the water of the Housatonic river at this point is excellent for use in cotton cloth bleaching. At the outset the plant will give employment to 200 men and this number will be increased up to 40.

Shortage of Bottles in England Alarming

London, Dec. 22.—The real excuse for the recent advance of six cents a bottle made by the whiskey and spirit distillers is the alarming shortage of bottles. High prices are paid for bottles of the poorest quality. Manufacturers are told to trouble no longer about the shape of the bottles, whether square or fancy, but simply to send bottles.

MAN CRUSHED BY LIFT EXPECTED TO RECOVER

At the Bridgeport hospital today it was reported that Frank Funda, aged 23, of 85 Walter street, crushed by a descending elevator at the plant of the Union Metallic Cartridge Co., on Barnum avenue, yesterday morning, will recover, having regained consciousness early this morning. He did not suffer a fracture of the skull although his case appeared to be serious at first. At a late hour today his recovery was assured.

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Christmas is so near and the number of gift buyers deserving Buechler Diamond and Solid Gold Jewelry is so great that the modest, abundantly stocked store will be open every evening and including Christmas Eve.

This store is one of the busiest places in Bridgeport, although it is well filled all day and evening, there is no tedious waiting; for we have plenty of well trained salesmen.

Whether the question of quality or the question of price be uppermost in your mind you can find everything in Christmas Diamonds, Watches and Jewelry you want.

Baby Pins	25c to \$ 4.00	Lockets	75c to \$ 50.00
Bon Bon Dishes	\$1.00 to \$ 3.00	La Vallieres and	
Bracelets	75c to \$ 50.00	Pendants	\$1.00 to \$200.00
Brooches	50c to \$250.00	Match Safes	50c to \$ 5.00
Chains, all kinds	75c to \$ 45.00	Opera Glasses	\$2.00 to \$12.00
Clocks	\$1.00 to \$ 50.00	Rings	
Coffee Sets	\$5.00 to \$10.00	(with stones) \$10.00 to \$25.00	
Cut Buttons	50c to \$ 30.00	Rings (Signets)	50c to \$15.00
Cut Glass	\$1.00 to \$15.00	Rosaries	\$1.00 to \$ 5.00
Diamond		Shaving Sets	\$3.50 to \$15.00
Brooches	\$5.00 to \$150.00	Society Emblems	50c to \$15.00
Diamond Rings	\$5.00 to \$500.00	Tee Sets	\$5.00 to \$25.00
Scarf Pins	\$5.00 to \$100.00	Thimbles—(gold	
Pobs	50c to \$ 20.00	and silver)	25c to \$ 5.00
Pendant Pins	\$1.00 to \$ 5.00	Tie Clips	50c to \$ 8.00
Hat Pins	50c to \$ 5.00	Toilet Sets—	
Jewel Cases	50c to \$ 8.00	(placed)	\$3.00 to \$ 9.00
Knives (Pocket)	\$2.00 to \$ 6.00	Umbrellas	\$1.00 to \$12.00
Set	\$2.75 to \$ 5.00	Waist Pin Sets	\$1.00 to \$ 5.00
		Watches	\$1.00 to \$150.00

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23c to 25c per lb

Choice Fowls 20c to 22c per lb

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Small Lean Pork Loins, Little Pienies, Fresh Shoulders, Native Fresh Hams, Young Roasting Pigs, Fresh Hocks, Heads, Feet, Tails, Rib Bones, and Leaf Lard, Deer-foot, North Star and Home Made Sausage.

NEW NUTS.

Choice Mixed Nuts .. 15c lb
Fancy Mixed Nuts .. 18c lb
Jumbo Pecans .. 16c lb
Grenoble Walnuts .. 18c lb
California Soft Shell Walnuts .. 22c lb
New York State Soft Shell Walnuts, something fancy .. 35c lb
California Soft Shell Walnuts in pkg. 22c
Sicily Filberts .. 18c lb
Paper Shell Almonds .. 22c and 25c lb
Walnut Meat halves 45c lb
Pecan Meat halves 65c lb

FANCY GROCERIES

Seeded Raisins in package .. 10c and 12c
Seedless Raisins .. 13c pkg., 2 for 25c
Dried Citron 20c per lb
Lemon and Orange Peel .. 15c per lb
Bulk Mince Meat 14c per lb
New Santa Clara Prunes, 10c, 13c, 15c, 18c & 20c lb
Fancy Table Raisins .. 18c and 28c per pkg
Curtice Bros. Jams in glass .. 15c
Strained Honey 10c, 18c, 25c & 35c bottle
Cherries in glass 10c, 15c, 25c, 40c & 75c
Popping Corn ... 10c pkg., 3 for 25c.
A full line of Stuffed and Queen Olives, Jams, Jellies, Marmalade, Preserves, Etc.

SEA FOOD.

Bluepoints, Little Necks, Steamers, Shell Oysters, Bakers, Live Lobsters, Escallops, Opened Clams and Oysters.

FRUIT.

20 Florida Oranges for 25c
Fancy Indian River Oranges Florida 25c, 30c & 35c doz
Pears 35c & 50c per dozen
Table Apples ... 35c dozen
Pulled Figs ... 20c per lb
Laver Figs ... 25c lb
Hickory Nuts ... 5c per lb
Fancy Navel Oranges 30c, 35c and 40c dozen
4 Large Grape Fruit for 25c
Fancy Tangerines .. 25c per dozen
Malaga Grapes 25c per lb
Bulk Dates .. 10c lb; 10c per pkg
Italian Chestnuts for stuffing .. 15c lb; 2 lbs for 25c
Fancy Baskets of Fruit put up to order.

PLUM PUDDINGS.

Curtice Bros. Plum Pudding 1 lb Tins 22c; 2 lb tins 40c; Small Tins 10c, 3 for 25c; Franco-American 1 lb Tins 28c; 2 lb Tins 50c; Small Tins 10c, 3 for 25c; Richardson & Robbins 1 lb Tins 22c; 2 lb Tins 40c; Small Tins 10c, 3 for 25c; Atmore's 1 lb Tins 22c; 2 lb Tins 40c; Small Tins 10c, 3 for 25c; Crosse & Blackwell's 1 lb Tins 35c; 2 lb Tins 70c.

BAKERY.

Christmas and Tutti Fruitti Cakes, Lady Fingers, Macaroons, Large Home Made Mince and Pumpkin Pies.

Fresh Vegetables.

Fancy Boston Head Lettuce, Green and Wax Beans, Brussel Sprouts, Chickory and Roman, Cape Cod Cranberries, Cauliflowers, Jersey Sweeties, Potatoes, Hubbard and Marrow Squash, All Varieties of Eating and Cooking Apples.

WHAT TO GIVE AND WHERE TO GET IT
Don't worry what to get for Christmas gifts but come and see our splendid assortment of pleasing and popular selections for people of every age and condition. From appropriate little Christmas cards that cost a mere trifle to richer and more expensive presents. Our stock is complete in every detail. Come in and look over our great variety of desirable new novelties and you are certain to see many things that are just exactly the right article for the person you wish to remember. Popular prices on all goods. Remember THE POST OFFICE NEWS STORE, 11 ARCADE Only a Short Distance From Main Street.

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We shall also have the famous Cape Cod and Bluepoints Oysters on the half shell, which we shall deliver on Christmas morning.

